Peterborough Fire Department

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Peterborough, ON --

Peterborough Fire Services responded to a reported structure fire with two (2) children trapped inside at a town house complex on the 100th Block of Herbert Street at 12:51a.m. December 14, 2008. Upon arrival, heavy fire and smoke was present at the front of the row house unit on the second floor. Fire crews searched the building and found two children.

Both occupants were transported to Peterborough Regional Health Centre. One child succumbed to her injuries and the other has been airlifted to Toronto for treatment.

Five units were destroyed in the blaze. At this time it is too early to determine the cause or the estimated damage of the fire. A joint investigation is underway with representatives from Peterborough Fire Services, Peterborough Lakefield Police and the Office of The Fire Marshall.

Fire crews will be on scene for the remainder of the day performing salvage and overhaul operations.

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